

THE HONORABLE RONALD B. LEIGHTON

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT TACOMA

MARLENE ELLIOT,

Plaintiff,

vs.

UNITED PARCEL SERVICE, INC., a foreign
corporation.

Defendant

Case No.: 07-05453 RBL

ORDER GRANTING
WITHDRAWAL OF COUNSEL

Pending before the Court is Plaintiff's Counsel's Motion to Withdraw (Dkt. #8). Defendant United Parcel Service opposes the motion (Dkt. #9).

This suit arises from Ms. Elliot's claims against UPS for employment discrimination and retaliatory termination. (Compl. 8-12). Counsel for Ms. Elliot seek to withdraw because of "irreconcilable differences with Plaintiff as to how this matter should proceed" (Pl.'s Mot. to Withdraw, 2) (Dkt. #8). Counsel states that Ms. Elliot has been notified, *Id.* at 1, and that she is interviewing replacement counsel. (Pl.'s Reply to Def.'s Resp. 3) (Dkt. #11).

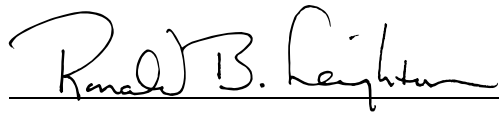
UPS, in response, opposes the withdrawal fearing possible delay of the August 6th deadline for disclosure of experts; the October 6th deadline for discovery; and the November 4th deadline for dispositive

1 motions. (Def's Resp. to Mot. to Withdraw, 1) (Dkt #9). Plaintiff's Counsel has, in turn, replied that fears
2 of delay are speculative. (Pl.'s Reply to Def.'s Resp. 3).

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4 Local Rule GR 2(g)(4) provides: "[an] attorney will ordinarily be permitted to withdraw until sixty
5 days before the discovery cutoff date in a civil case."

6 Because this motion is more than 60 days before the October 6th discovery cut-off date, and
7 because worries of delay are, as of yet, unfounded, the Court **GRANTS** Plaintiff's Counsel's Motion to
8 Withdraw (Dkt. #8).

9 Dated this 20th day of June, 2008
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15 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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